SPF/SIG Project Education and Outreach Committee Minutes for Meeting of July 19, 2006

Attendees: Paula Parker Sawyers, Mary Lay, Lisa Hutcheson, Marcia French, Sonya Cleveland

Committee members introduced themselves and after brief discussion, Paula agreed to chair the committee.

The committee talked about what role we have in the process of education communities about the SIG grant and eventually the process to access the funding. The committee felt it was important to reach out to other groups not traditionally in the "prevention circles" so we could reach those who might not have the current funding or capacity to access this money, including youth.

The following are suggestions made for groups to work with and/or contact regarding SIG:

- LCCs (including POY Point of Youth group) Sonya suggested working with the community consultants to educate the LCCs
- Extension offices Lisa can help us access these
- Faith based networks Paula can help us access these
- DMHA networks Mary can help us access these

The committee began discussion on what we needed to communicate regarding the SIG grant and how we would do that. We also discussed adding others to the committee but decided to stay with those already appointed and add others later if necessary.

Committee meetings will be the week immediately prior to the Statewide Advisory Council meetings so we can have ample time to digest information from the SAC meetings, make decisions, and report out to the larger group in a timely manner.

Lisa volunteered to take meeting notes and the next meeting date was set for 9/19/06. The committee will meet every other month from 8:30 to 10, one week prior to each of the SAC committee meetings.

Meeting was adjourned.

Minutes submitted by Lisa Hutchenson